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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP A.U. 2613

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Naoyuki SATO et al.  
Serial No.: 09/691,951  
Filed: October 19, 2000  
For: INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD,  
INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEM, AND  
RECORDING MEDIUM  
Group A.U.: 2613  
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of June 3, 2004,  
Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified  
application be amended as follows.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of